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About Me

I have a background in theoretical psychology and **statistics**. During my academic career, I studied and analyzed rodent behavior and molecular biology, but also gained expertise in developing **R programs**, **shiny apps** and **automated reports**. With these tools, I improved the speed and efficiency of data-processing for myself as well as colleagues.

Languages

 Dutch (native)

 English

 French

 Chinese (Cantonese)

 German

Computer Skills

R

Visualization (ggplot2)

Excel

R Shiny

R Markdown

SAS

Excel (macro/VBA)

Power BI

Tableau

Machine Learning

Git/Github

SQL

Python

SPSS

JavaScript

LaTeX

HTML

Work Experience

2022 – present	Statistical Programmer (BARDS HTA) - Produce TLFs for clinical SAS projects - Collaborator in innovation initiatives with R	MSD, Switzerland
2021 – 2022	Clinical Data Manager (GDO) - Review and curation of clinical trial data - Supporting clinical trial teams with programming solutions	MSD, Switzerland
2016 – 2021	Neuroscientist - Post-doctoral research on the role of RNA binding protein FXR2P in status epilepticus: Behavioral and molecular evaluation (Laboratory of Prof. Claudia Bagni) - Reference person within the research group on issues related to statistics and programming	Université de Lausanne, Switzerland
2014 – 2015	Neuroscientist Post-doctoral research on cue competition and contextual fear learning in rodents and humans. (Laboratory of Prof. Bram Vervliet)	KU Leuven, Belgium

Education

2008 – 2013	PhD in Behavioral Neuroscience	KU Leuven, Belgium
2003 – 2008	MSc in Theoretical Psychology	KU Leuven, Belgium

Certificates and Courses

02/2015	R programming	John Hopkins Univ., Coursera
12/2019	Advanced R Shiny	SIB, Switzerland
09/2015	Introduction to SAS	LSTAT, Belgium
12/2020	Databases and SQL for Data Science	IBM, Coursera
01/2019	Data Management Plan	SIB, Switzerland
10/2018	Project Management	EPFL, Switzerland
06/2018	Statistical Methods for Big Data in Life Sciences and Health with R	SIB, Switzerland
09/2018	Introduction to Data Analysis with Python	EPFL Extension School, Switzerland
12/2022	Applied Data Science Program	MIT Professional Education, USA

My R programs portfolio

meaR (public repository: click [here](#) to review it)
Extracts numeric data from exported **Micro-Electrode Arrays** text files that contain *in vitro* electrophysiological measurements. {meaR} performs calculations for a variety of quantitative parameters and visualizes spike and burst activity for all 60 electrodes over time

phenotyper (public repository: click [here](#) to review it)
For the processing and analysis of **Phenotyper** data, we can use a cloud service upon payment. Through **reverse engineering**, I designed the {phenotyper} program that performs similarly to the cloud service and calculates additional behavioral parameters

dam3 (public repository: click [here](#) to review it)
A pipeline to process **Trikinetics** DAM behavioral data from *Drosophila*. **Longitudinal data** where behaviors are categorized as either sleep or awake state. Quantitative and qualitative sleep parameters are calculated

easyGeno (private repository, available for discussion)
A pipeline workflow for mouse genotyping including identification of the sample's model, pre-mix calculations, and planning of the assembly plates for PCR and electrophoresis. Manually, these can easily take up to half a day time. {easyGeno} produces an **automated report** through R Markdown containing all the steps for the user to follow and optimized for the **QIAxcel apparatus**. Additional follow-up module was developed that extracts the result from the QIAxcel pdf report and **cross-references with our database file** to automate band and genotype identification

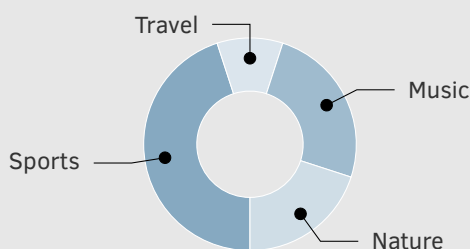
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Soft Skills



Extra-Curricular Activities



 Driver's license: B (2003)

Teaching/Coaching Experience

- 2022-present **BAAMR** MSD, Switzerland
R Coach for R trainings in tidyverse coding (level 1) and R package development (level 2)
- 2019-2020 **Coding Club** Université de Lausanne, Switzerland
Interactive course between PhD students and Postdocs on how to use R for data import, manipulation, visualization and analysis
- 09/2015 **Workshop at Summer School** KU Leuven, Belgium
Subject: "The use of rodent models in fear conditioning, learning and memory"
- 2013 **Bachelor Course at KU Leuven** B-KUL-P0M20B
How to use SPSS for basic data manipulation, statistics and SPSS output interpretation

Conferences and Presentations

- 2022 **SCDM Conference** Basel, Switzerland
- 2018 **NCCR-SYNAPSY Conference** Geneva, Switzerland
Cognitive flexibility in a mouse model for Fragile X Syndrome
- 2014 **RIKEN Brain Science Institute** Tokyo, Japan
Treatment with tauroursodeoxycholic acid modulates γ -secretase activity and rescues memory deficits in APP/PS1 mice, an AD mouse model
- 2012 **International Stockholm/Springfield symposium on advances in Alzheimer's disease** Stockholm, Sweden
Behavioural effects of selenium in mouse models of Alzheimer's disease
- 2010 **Forum of European Neurosciences** Amsterdam, The Netherlands
Reversible changes in neurocognitive performance and hippocampal synaptic plasticity in tau mutant mouse lines

Publications (5 most recent)

For the full list, [please click here](#)

- 2023 **Neuron**
Altered striatal actin dynamics drives behavioral inflexibility in a mouse model of fragile X syndrome [\[link\]](#)
Mercaldo V, Vidimova B, Gastaldo D, Fernández E, Lo AC, Cencelli G, Pedini G, De Rubeis S, Longo F, Klann E, Smit AB, Grant SGN, Achsel T, Bagni C.
- Nature Communications**
SREBP modulates the NADP⁺/NADPH cycle to control night sleep in *Drosophila* [\[link\]](#)
Mariano V, Kanellopoulos AK, Aiello G, Lo AC, Legius E, Achsel T, Bagni C.
- 2021 **BioRxiv**
Scopolamine blocks context-dependent reinstatement of fear responses in rats [\[link\]](#)
Vercammen, LM, Lo AC, D'Hooge R, Vervliet B.
- EMBO Reports**
Absence of RNA binding protein FXR2P prevents prolonged phase of kainate-induced seizures [\[link\]](#)
Lo AC, Rajan N, Gastaldo D, Telley T, Hilal ML, Buzzi A, Simonato M, Achsel T, Bagni C.
- 2019 **Nature Communications**
The autism- and schizophrenia-associated protein CYFIP1 regulates bilateral brain connectivity and behaviour [\[link\]](#)
Domínguez-Iturza N, Lo AC, Shah D, Armendáriz M, Vannelli A, Mercaldo V, Trusel M, Li KW, Gastaldo D, Santos AR, Callaerts-Vegh Z, D'Hooge R, Mameli M, Van der Linden A, Smit AB, Achsel T, Bagni C.